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In response to the Office Action dated January 3, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire April 3, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows: